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E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: SHUM, PINT, KS, PIWS

1. PUBLIC PROSECUTORS OFFICE ANNOUNCED THIS AFTERNOON
RELEASE BY SUSPENSION OF EXECUTION OF TERMS OF 14 KOREAN CITIZENS
WHO HAD BEEN SENTENCED FOR ONE-TO-THREE YEARS FOR VIOLATION
OF EM-9.

2. LIST OF RELEASED PERSONS FOLLOWS:

YN PAN UNG - MYONGDON DEFENDANT
SIN HYONG PONG - MYONDONG DEFENDANT
YU MU UNG
PAK CHIN SON
PAK KYE TONG
CHONG MIN SU
CHON HUI SANG
PAK YON HO
KIM TO YUN
YI HA YONH
KIM MU KIL
CHO HYONG HUN
KIM NO SU
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3. PUBLIC PROSECUTOR OFFICE ANNOUNCED THAT THESE RELEASES WERE
MADE UNDER HIS OWN AUTHORITY FOR PRISONERS WHO SHOWN SIGN OF
TEPENTANCE, HAD BEHAVED WELL DURING THEIR PRISON TERMS AND REST
OF TERMS WERE RELATIVELY SHORT. IN ANSWER TO SPECIFIC QUESTION,
SOKESMAN SAID THAT RELEASES WERE NOT IN RESPONSE TO NATIONAL

ASSEMBLY RECOMMENDATION RECENTLY PASSED.

4. COMMENT - ANNOUNCEMENT MADE ON SUNDAY. NO NEWSPAPER PUBLISHED ON MONDAY. PUBLIC PROSECUTOR TAKING FULL RESPONSIBILITY. ALL OF WHICH INDICATES THAT STORY IS BEING PLAYED IN ABOUT AS LOW KEY AS POSSIBLE.

PLEASE PROVIDE ASAP TEXT OF GUIDANCE BEING GIVEN TO DEPT SPOKESMAN. WE CONTINUE TO RECOMMEND THAT GREATEST CARE BE TAKEN TO AVOID ANY IMPLICATION THAT RELEASES WERE MADE IN RESPONSE U.S. PRESSURE.
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